

John T. Flynn Says:

Believes Pension Tax Should Be Examined,
Burden Lightened

By JOHN T. FLYNN

A body known as the Social Security Advisory Council is reported ready with some recommendations about the old age contributory pension system. The session of congress nears. And when the lawmakers sit down with the nation's troubles, old age pensions are going to be among the first to be considered.

It is a very serious moment for those genuinely concerned about the problem of the aged.

How to care for those who become too old to be useful in our highly geared industrial system is a delicate and difficult problem. It calls for the utmost exertion of whatever informed expert knowledge there is.

This is an insurance problem. And there are men who know a good deal about that and about social security in this country.

The whole subject, however, has fallen into the hands of politicians. Men and women over 65 have votes. And everywhere politicians are playing with this problem to get the votes of the aged.

If ever there was what Mr. Hoover called a case of "playing with human misery," this is one.

Financial Football

It must be conceded this is a difficult problem to the administration. It may be forced to make unwise concessions.

This consideration would be easier for the administration if it had not itself been guilty of using the old age pension system as a financial football and of introducing into it one of the most grotesque schemes in public finance ever known in the history of this country.

This is the plan to create a reserve of 47 billion dollars "to relieve future generations of the great load of social security." It was the attacks on this plan which led to the consideration of the subject by the so-called Advisory Council on Social Security.

Now Is Time For Change

One of its recommendations is that pensions in the earlier years of the system should be increased. Certainly the pensions which are to be paid to those who arrive at the retirement age before 1950 should be enlarged.

The council is said to be ready to recommend a change in the exorbitant rates charged under the act to employers and employees.

The tax at present is 1 per cent on each. In 1940 it will be 1½ per cent each. And this rate will continue until 1943.

The council goes no further than to say that at that time the rates should be re-examined in the light of facts presented then; that perhaps at that point the load may be lightened.

The first Advisory Council recommended before the act was passed a rate of 1 per cent from 1937 to 1944 and 1½ per cent to 1945. That would have been more than enough.

If the rates are continued until 1942 at the present level, nearly five billion dollars will be collected, in excess of the needs of the system.

There seems to be no reason why the whole subject of the rates should not be re-examined and changed now to lighten the load of employers and workers.

In the meantime, Goodfellowes of Hope continued to donate to the Christmas cheer fund, sending the total fund Wednesday to \$472.55. Persons who wish to donate still have an opportunity by leaving their contributions at either Hope bank or at The Star office.

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Total	\$472.55

Stores Will Remain Open at Night Here

Will Accommodate Christmas Buyers Until 9:30 o'Clock Each Night

Beginning tonight, Wednesday, business houses throughout the city will remain open until 9:30 o'clock to accommodate late Christmas shoppers of this area.

This schedule will continue until through Saturday.

Shoppers of this section are urged to purchase all gifts and supplies by Saturday night as business firms throughout the city will remain closed on next Monday.

As Christmas this year falls on Sunday, the holiday will be observed the following day, Monday.

The United States has more miles of railroad than all European countries combined.

MIND Your MANNERS

T. M. Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.

Test your knowledge of correct social usage by answering the following questions, then check against the authoritative answers below:

1. Should a man lead up to asking for a date by saying, "What are you doing Wednesday night?"

2. Should a man who has dated a girl for some time feel free to enter family arguments?

3. Should he feel free to forage in her family ice box?

4. Should a man going to a girl's house on a date expect to use her cigarettes or take his own?

5. Should a man raise his hat when he speaks to a man who is accompanying a woman?

What would you do?

You are one of two men getting into the back seat of a car with a girl.

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8. Same as above, except first man steps in front of girl to reach his seat at her left?

Answers

1. No.

2. No.

3. No unless she leads the raid.

4. Take his own.

5. Yes.

Best "What Would You Do" solution—(b).

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Answers on Page Two

Hope Star



WEATHER. Arkansas—Fair, colder in extreme south, freezing Wednesday night; Thursday fair, rising temperature.

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PAN-AMERICAN PACT

Building Tax for New Courthouse and Jail Levied

Mill and a Half Levy Is Fixed by Special Quorum Court

VOTE IS UNANIMOUS

Only 10 Minutes Required to Carry Out Mandate of People

It took a special session of Hemptead Quorum court about 10 minutes Wednesday morning to levy a mill and a half building tax for construction of the new county courthouse and jail.

Not a dissenting vote was cast. Seventeen of the 20 justices were present.

The mill and half tax levy means \$1.50 on each \$1,000 assessed valuation of all taxable property in the county. The tax levy goes into effect with the payment of taxes in 1939.

The building tax will be continuous each year until the principal and interest on the \$110,000 loan from the PWA (Public Works Administration) is paid in full.

This period will extend over 20 or 30 years—the exact period to be announced later when the schedule is drawn. It was pointed out that the mill and a half levy carries with it a surplus or reserve fund.

In the event tax assessments are lowered in future years the surplus or reserve fund will be used. In the event assessments increase in future years the present levy of a mill and a half could be lowered.

Bonds will be issued at 4 per cent. They probably will be advertised in the near future and sold at public auction.

The United States government has offered to pay par for these bonds—but it is believed, on the present market, the bonds can be sold to private investors at a premium.

Ground was broken last week for construction of the new building on the old Garland school property. The first of four separate contracts was let. This was the job for driving piling for the foundation which is to be completed within 60 days.

Additional contracts are to be let for the main building work, contract for furniture and the contract for jail equipment.

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Chicago authorities have already indicated that before Capone's release there it is likely a county or state commission will pass on his mental condition.

In addition, the one-time "Public Enemy No. 1" owes the government \$50,000 fine and \$7692 in court costs assessed at the time of his trial in 1931.

There has been supposition that Capone still holds valuable real estate in Chicago, Miami, and California.

But sources close to Capone declare "Al can never come back."

His health may be the deciding factor.

Almost a year ago the "big shot" suddenly "blew his top." Leaving the mess hall he slumped to the ground.

He turned on the hospital orderlies.

Six guards were required to subdue him.

He lay for days in the prison hospital, sometimes with arms and legs pinned to the bed, according to reliable reports coming out of the secrecy of Alcatraz in San Francisco bay.

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No further comment has come from federal officials. Capone is still undergoing medical treatments. When he leaves Alcatraz, where he was transferred from Atlanta in August 1934, he may face expensive treatments.

The Treasury Department at Washington claims he has no visible assets and derides the rumor that a large sum of money is being held in a cache pending his release.

Mrs. Capone on her monthly visits to Alcatraz shows no shortage in family finance.

She wears an expensive mink coat, on one finger sparkles an immense diamond.

The council adopted a motion by Alderman Carter Johnson offering the Temple Cotton Oil company the same electric rate given to the Bruner-Ivory Handie factory for the operation of electric motors.

The council adopted a motion for the extension of a water main on East Avenue D one block, which was requested by Alderman Cassidy.

The matter then was referred to the Board of Public Affairs with approval recommended.

A motion by Alderman Cassidy was carried extending a light line to the Hopewell school for Smith-Hughes work only.

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Blood-Language Rule Leads to Absurdity

If you remember the geometry you studied in high school, you may recall a stunt which went under the high-sounding title of "reductio ad absurdum."

The idea was that if you had a theory to test, and suspected that there was something wrong with it, you selected the dizziest example you could think of and carried it to its logical conclusion. Then, when you had a thoroughly cockeyed situation on your hands, you proved that the theory itself was phony. You did this by reducing it to absurdity—"reductio ad absurdum."

For a long time now the theory that remote ties of ancestry and language should determine a people's government has been widely held. It led to much map-making at the Versailles conference, and more recently it gave Herr Hitler a fine excuse for pushing his drive to the east.

Now the Italians have picked it up, looking toward expansion in the direction of Tunisia and Corsica; and it begins to look as if the old high school process of reductio ad absurdum had set in.

It may be quite true that the bulk of the Tunisians and Corsicans are either of Italian ancestry or speak with a pronounced Italian accent. But if that means that those territories should immediately go under the Italian flag, then Uncle Sam himself is sitting on a lot of subject peoples who are under the wrong flag.

By that theory the Dutch ought to reclaim a good part of Pennsylvania, and Spain should take over large portions of Arizona and New Mexico. Sweden would get a large area in Minnesota and the Dakotas, and by right of discovery and settlement should be entitled to part of New Jersey. The French would then have a respectable claim to New Orleans, and Italy could lay claim to a good bit of land along Long Island Sound. Poland could reclaim many city blocks in Chicago and Germany could assert title to much of St. Louis and Cincinnati. New York City would be split about 30 ways, considerable territory in the west would go back to the Indians, and Japan would get Hawaii.

All of this is pretty absurd, of course. Yet it follows quite logically, once you accept the premise that remote ties of blood and language are all-important. And if logical adherence to that theory leads to absurdity in some country, perhaps the same thing is true elsewhere.

The plain fact is that this blood-and-language business has been over-worked to an amazing degree. There are far more important considerations to be applied in determining national boundaries, and it is high time the fact was realized.

There have been so many migrations and so much shifting and intermingling of peoples that the map can never be unscrambled and peace can never be attained on a blood-and-language basis. As long as that is the accepted shibboleth there will be wars and rumors of wars. The world's hope for peace depends on recognition of the fact that some saner and more practical means of determining who shall rule whom must be found.

For Sale

FOR SALE—7 week old pigs, 3 months old pigs. Male Hog Service. Bill Ramsey. 21-3tp

FOR SALE—Holiday Specials—Shampoo Set and Dry 35c; Oil Shampoo and Set Dry 65c; Manicure 35c; Eye Brow, Lash Dye and Arch 50c; Cocktail Facial 50. Stuart's Beauty Salon, Phone 752. Jan 7 Pd.

FOR SALE—Steinway Grand, slightly used, Big Saving, Home size, almost perfect condition. Beasley's, Texarkana. 13-10-24

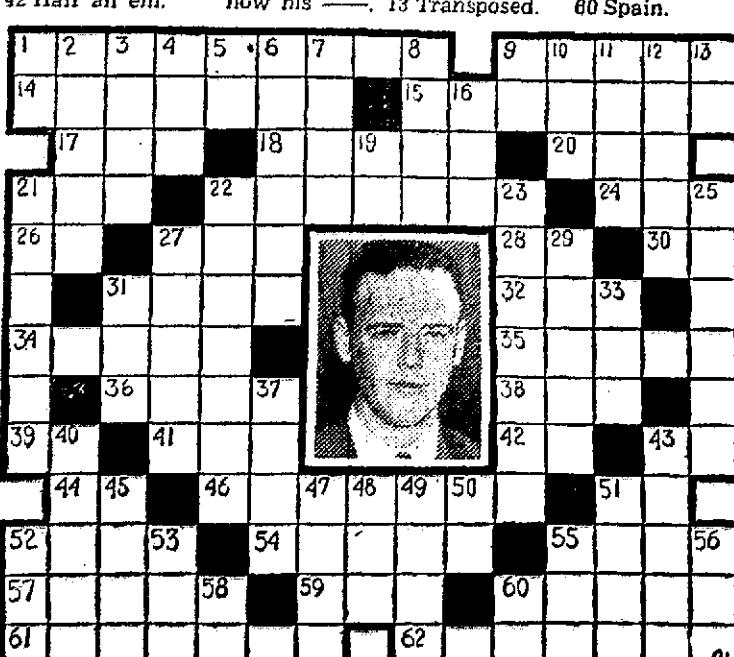
Lost

LOST: One bay pony-mare 6 years old, about 750 pounds, good shape, and one black mare mule, about 10 years old 1000 lbs. Strayed from farm near McNab. Reward offered. W. F. Gilbert, Washington. 20-3tp

PIONEER FLYER

(Answer to Previous Puzzle)

- 1 Charles — American air hero.
 9 He made the solo Atlantic flight.
 14 State of political disorder.
 15 Studio.
 17 Resembling ore.
 18 Keno.
 20 To cut off.
 21 Conjunction.
 22 Those who pity.
 24 Twitching.
 26 Common verb.
 27 Tanper's vessel.
 28 Dye.
 30 Sound of pleasure.
 31 Metal string.
 32 To contend.
 33 Manifest.
 35 Yellow.
 36 Sand hill.
 38 To chatter.
 39 Doctor.
 41 To embroider
 42 Half an em.
- (NIGHTINGALE)
 FERN ACE MAW FLORENCE
 PEARLY KERUINE NIGHTINGALE
 SISTER RISK ISHE SAIGE JS
 PHILANTHROPISTS LAC BEET VAST
 AY DIED WORM FIA
 Y PILER BALK GAY
 TAPS BOLLO WEET
 COOPS COOL ARMEE
 ALE WONT ANIMAL NURSES ISAN ITARY
- (VERTICAL)
 1 Postscript.
 4 And.
 46 Entertains.
 51 Musical note.
 52 Wings.
 55 Caterpillar hair.
 57 1760 yards (pl.).
 59 Portuguese coin.
 8 To abhor.
 9 Symbol for iron.
 10 Sick.
 11 Public disturbance.
 12 Brown pigment.
 13 Transposed.
- 16 Rocky pinnacle.
 17 Seventh musical note.
 21 He is living — at present.
 22 Colleague.
 23 Barbarians.
 25 He — new air routes.
 27 Poison of a disease.
 29 Lagoon.
 31 Married.
 32 To recede.
 37 Pitcher.
 40 Small memorial.
 44 Arid.
 45 Before Christ.
 46 Phosphate of copper.
 47 Microbe.
 48 Epoch.
 49 Secular.
 50 Ell.
 51 To touch.
 52 Wine vessel.
 53 Snaky fish.
 55 Snow glider.
 56 Insect.
 58 South America.
 60 Spain.



The Family Doctor

T. M. Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.

By DR. MORRIS FISHBEIN
Editor, Journal of the American Medical Association, and of Hygeia, the Health Magazine

Get Familiar With These Warnings to Avoid Killer Carbon Monoxide

Third of a series of five articles on carbon monoxide and how to avoid it

Since most of the deaths from carbon monoxide poisoning occur in garages or in factories or in mines where numbers of men may be exposed to the gas at one time, the health sections of the various labor departments and of various industries have worked out a series of recommendations to be followed whenever one or more persons suddenly become unconscious as a result of exposure to carbon monoxide gas.

It might well be in every factory where this possibly exists, in the gas in steel mills, celluloid manufacturers, acetylene welding, brass foundries, garages and service stations, and indeed in every home where illuminating gas is used, that the following eight warnings be familiar: 1. If there is a yellow flame heating your machine report this fact at once. There should be a blue flame at all times. A yellow flame gives off carbon monoxide.

2. Never use a gas-heated apartment which is connected by flexible rubber or metal tubing. The only flexible tubing which does not leak is an approved cloth-covered tubing.

3. Do you suppose that you can find a leak in your tubing by running a lighted match along it? It will light only when there is a very large leak. There may be many small leaks which make it dangerous to work at your machine, even though those places do not permit enough gas to go through to actually light when you apply a match.

4. When you are working over an open flame, do not put any utensil on the fire which covers the flame too completely. This keeps the air out, and increases the amount of carbon monoxide gas produced.

5. Do not try to patch a leak or make any adjustments yourself. Close off the gas till the repair man comes.

6. If the gas pressure changes report the fact at once. If there is too large pressure, the gas will not burn properly and will give off considerable carbon monoxide gas. If there is too little pressure some of the port holes in your appliance may not

light. This will happen particularly if they are dirty, and filled with soot. Those port holes which do not light leak a certain amount of gas, and injure your health.

7. If you find that you get a headache at your work, carbon monoxide may be present in the air. Look for leaks and poor connections.

8. If you are not feeling well see a doctor right away. If you get a headache at work due to gas, try some other kind of work.

A Book a Day
By Bruce CattonThe Screwy Side of Murder
If you can imagine a book which is like a blend of "You Can't Take It With You" and "Merrily We Live," with faint overtones of "The Thin Man," you can get some idea of Robert George Dunn's new murder mystery, "A Murder of Convenience" (Crime Club, \$2).

Mr. Dunn discusses the slaying of an elderly capitalist, and shows us two tough private detectives circulating among the deceased's family in the hope of solving the crime; but only incidental to his portrayal of one of the screwiest families in current fiction.

Between father, who spends his time in the basement fighting the World War on a large-scale relief du emigre chauvin-Russia-in-waiting, and the Russian emigre chauveur who guily insults everyone in the household, the family is both improbable and comic; and while the book amounts to little as a mystery yarn, it does make highly amusing reading in other respects.

If straight mystery fare is what you seek, try "The D.A. Holds a Candle," by Erle Stanley Gardner (Morrow \$2).

The indefatigable Mr. Gardner drops Perry Mason temporarily to show a small town district attorney cleaning up a mess which falls in his lap when a hitch-hiker is found dead in a tourist camp. As in all of this author's books, the action is fast and the plot is skillfully constructed. All in all, here's a first-rate thriller for a winter evening.

Also recommended is "Then There Were Three," by Geoffrey Homes (Morrow; \$2). In this one a private dick and a newspaper editor unravel one of the neatest try-and-find-the-body mysteries this reviewer has yet encountered. This private dick, by the way, is a salty and refreshingly character; Mr. Homes could do worse than put him in another book.

WAR

If you've declared war against some of those odds-and-ends that are cluttering up your home, it's time to do something about it. A Hope Star Want Ad will fight the battle for you—and win! It gets results fast and very cheaply!

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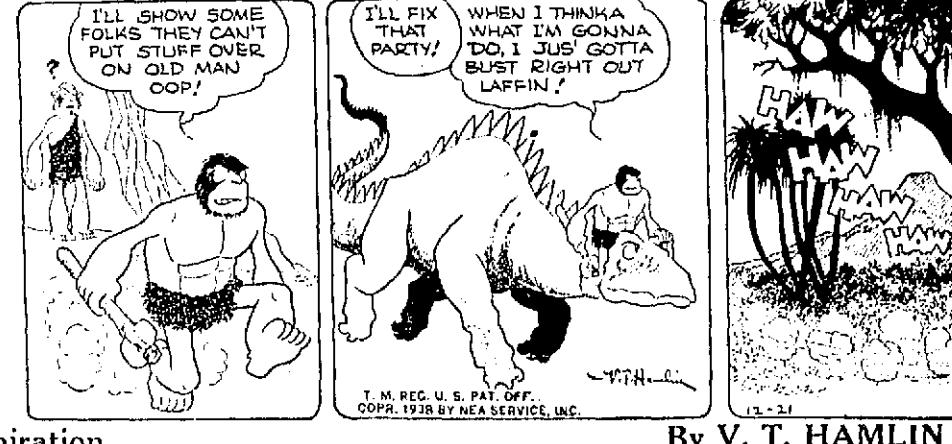
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TRY IT YOURSELF ONCE
TRY SITTIN' OUT OF A CAR WITH A ARMFUL OF BUNDLES! DON'T CRITICIZE TILL YOU TRY IT YOURSELF

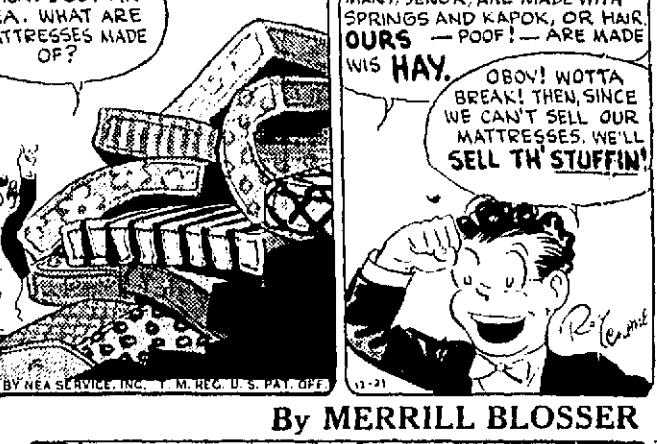
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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



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On the Spot

BARBS

It appears the Illinois athletic board was trying to schedule a game for Bob Zuppke in the Soup bowl.

The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse are riding again to add to the troubles of the bookmaker.

Munitions smuggled out of Pilsen, Czechoslovakia, are sometimes labeled as food and beverages. Skoda pop?

Only society women can make a tree an international issue.

For the benefit of foreign spies it is here recorded that the CCC groups in California are busy fighting blaster rust on gooseberry bushes.

Edmund Bessie seems a natural choice for the lead in "Gone With the Wind."

Cheering news for the man of the house who always gets stogies for Christmas is the announcement of a new colorless cabbage.

The fact the Chinese eat lots of spinach seems hardly worth passing along to Junior just now.

Song writers say there will be no war at this time. You can't march to Flat Foot Floogle or get mad over a missing basket.

Jimmy Roosevelt's qualifications for work in Hollywood seem to be that he flunked languages in Harvard.

Houses Went Cheap

LIVERPOOL, Eng.—(AP)—There was only one bid when two houses were put at auction in Liverpool. They were knocked down for \$250 apiece. Reason—the houses are scheduled for demolition.

Society

Mrs. SID HENRY

TELEPHONE 321

Month of March: Austria to Hitler, Allies Do Nothing

League of Nations Dies Ig-nominously—the Dictators Win

CALIFORNIA RAINS

Floods on West Coast—Whitney Pleads Guilty to Big Theft

Chapter Three of a Month-by-Month Review of 1938.

By VOLTA TORREY
AP Feature Service Writer

Herbert Hoover, touring Europe last March found every problem save the auto-parking problem "acute."

Political Poser No. 1 was Austria. And Adolf Hitler, the corporal who had kept on fighting, finally to win the World war, boldly extended Germany's frontier clear across Austria's 23,277 square miles and 6,780,223 people.

Diplomats often had said the League of Nations would be "a real thing" only when it could alter Europe's map. It hadn't. And its disciples were dismissed in the spring of '38 as "idealists," while dealers with dictators were dubbed the "realists."

Twas even suspected that Der Fuehrer might accept a crown when he rode into Vienna in a six-wheel motor chariot, accompanied by his Prussian police and Jew-haters, boming "Sieg Heil!"

Shadow and Substance

And Berlin's Unter den Linden was decorated, when he returned, with a banner that read: "Fuehrer, your Sudeten Germans (in Czechoslovakia) also are waiting." France's deputies upheld their shaky government, 439 to 2, in a policy of standing by Czechoslovakia. But America's ex-envoy to the Reich, William E. Dodd, predicted: "Great Britain won't do anything if Germany invades Czechoslovakia."

Poland, meanwhile, provided March's secondary scare—by suddenly getting tough about little Lithuania's refusal to recognize the Poles' forcible seizure of the Vilna territory 18 years previous. Lithuania gave in.

Warbirds left \$72 dead, 2,000 wounded, 10,000 homeless in Barcelona on a single weekend, Japan's parliament passed a "fascistic" mobilization bill. Russia tried and executed more bigwigs. Mexico seized foreign oil properties valued at \$400,000,000. And Brazil's police uncovered a cache of Nazi daggers.

In Stormy California

Americans sank "Ti Pi Tin" and tried five-suit bridge decks, but here, too, it was a stormy March; Scores died and damage was set at \$60,000,000 when rains sent floods rippling through southern California, marooning many, disrupting transportation, forcing Hollywood stars into real-life hero roles. Tornadoes swirled fiercely through the midwest and south.

Richard Whitney, ex-president of the N. Y. Stock Exchange, pled guilty to thefts that shocked Wall Street,

declaring "I fully realize that certain of my actions have been wrong. I am determined to meet the consequences."

Tribulations of TVA

TVA's quarreling directors were summoned to the White House. "If this love child of the administration, TVA, is indeed illegitimate, no shotgun wedding can give it either a fair name or unblemished reputation," thundered New Hampshire's Senator Bridges. And the President ousted Chairman Arthur E. Morgan for failing to sustain "grave and libelous charges of dishonesty and want of integrity" against his fellow directors.

Robert H. Jackson became solicitor general. Thurman Arnold, "Folklore of Capitalism" author, succeeded him as head trust-buster. Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt helped Amritto, Tex., honor mothers-in-law. Greta Garbo and Leopold Stokowski were reported seeing Italy together. Three Al over. And the obituaries of Col. Edward House, Gabriele d'Annunzio and Clarence Darrow were published.

He Knows the Way Home, but he doesn't want to walk.—Dr. Knute H. Hansen, Elgin, Ill., telling his friends not to lend his dog into a cab and send him home when they found him a long ways from home.

I Want Justice—Frank Harrison, throwing tomatoes at two wigged justices in the Court of Appeals, London, England.

So They Say

Gambling may not be a sign of wisdom, but it is a sign of life.—Rev. John Malick, Cincinnati, O.

The ways of an artist are as strange as the ways of God.—William Rose Bonet, American poet, lecturing in Detroit.

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Dramatic Club in

SERIAL STORY

SKI'S THE LIMIT

BY ADELAIDE HUMPHRIES

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Yesterday: Corey comes to see Sally, deals her a hard blow when he finds she will not go on walking with him, may never ski again.

CHAPTER IX

COREY's words, that Dan would walk for the rest of his life with a limp, beat feverishly in Sally's brain, long after Corey had taken his departure. They responded with a dull, heavy blow, almost incomprehensible, they brought such pain.

The reports from Doctor Barnes had not prepared her for that. He had claimed Dan had made a remarkable comeback; that, given a little more time, his leg would be as good as new again. Perhaps he, or the lawyer in conveying the reports, had hoped to spare Sally the truth. Or perhaps her father had thought best to keep it from her.

But Corey had not taken such pains. Corey did not know how responsible Sally felt, as though she had crippled Dan, ruined his life for him. Corey did not know that Sally loved Dan, though she still was too young for that. She could not know what love meant. There had been so many boys hanging about, like young Corey, a nice enough chap, though a bit wild, he feared . . . if it had to be someone, in time, this Reynolds boy was made of the stuff that measured up in the end.

"Not too big," Sally dimpled up at him. "Nothing's too big for my Dad."

"Cut it out!" her father warned her, giving her another playful little pat. "Don't try your charms on me, my dear! You know I'm your humble slave as it is. We'll see what can be done, Sally. I believe a lad like Reynolds would be an asset anywhere, I suppose we can make him think the offer comes from his benefactor—the old gentleman who was interested in helping him make the Olympics and who saw him through his illness."

Sally shivered. Never would she be able to hear of the Olympics, or of anything pertaining to the sport Dan had loved so much, without this lash of anguish. It was the cross she had to bear. The only real debt that somehow must be repaid in full. A big order as her father had said. But oh, surely, she would be able to make up in some small way the things that were lost forever to Dan.

She thought of this again later that evening, dancing with Corey.

They had motored to a roadside inn and promised to go somewhere again the next evening, if he came for her.

But she did not tell him that she was saving all her kisses for someone else.

"Let's not dance any more," Sally said. She drew away from Corey's arms. She could not go on dancing, remembering that.

"Check," Corey said briefly. But he was surprised. Usually Sally loved to dance with him. They had been getting on famously. "Want to go on some place else?" he asked. "I know another spot, farther on."

"I'd rather go home—if you don't mind," Sally returned.

Perhaps tomorrow Daddy would fix it, make some arrangements so that Dan would be offered a position. Perhaps, after all, she would get to see him again. Get another chance to prove to him that she was not the sort of girl he had thought she was, but the girl she was trying so hard to become, for him.

"Just as you like," Corey said briefly. But he was surprised again.

He was very tender, tucking Sally into the roadster, very gallant and gay. He made her laugh, once or twice, during the drive home, at his clowning, the stories he recounted, the smart comebacks he always could ring in.

"But I don't want you to think this is a line," he told her, leaving her at her door once more. "I told you once before that I'm crazy about you, my sweet. I told you then I meant it. But now I mean it more than ever. I'm in love with you, Sally. I'm going to marry you one of these days."

That was Corey—he did not ask; he made a statement of fact. Sally might as well accept it, get used to the idea. He leaned down to seek her lips, tried to pull her to him.

But Sally, with both hands, held him firmly away. "No, Corey—please don't," she said. And her voice broke a little, although it was gentle, almost regretful in fact. Corey was dear, he was such fun, so bright and gay. But that was not what Sally had discovered she wanted, though once she had been so sure it had been.

"What's wrong?" Corey asked. There was a wounded expression in his blue eyes now. He was perplexed. "I just wanted to kiss you good night, my sweet. I supposed that was part payment. You said you'd be my girl these next 10 days, don't forget that."

Sally said she wouldn't. But that kisses were not included in this bargain. She laughed at him and promised to go somewhere again the next evening, if he came for her.

But she did not tell him that she was saving all her kisses for someone else.

(To Be Continued)

On the Wrong Side

Little Algernon (to the old lady who has just arrived, and whom he has never seen before): "So you're my grandmother, are you?"

Algernon: "Well, you're on the wrong side; I'll tell you that right now."

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They Laughed When He Sat Down to Tap Out News of the 'Flying' Machine

MANAE, N.C.—Thirty years ago newspaper refused to accept telegraphic stories about the doings of the crazy Wright brothers on the sand dunes of outer North Carolina.

Practically every piece of press copy brought scorching replies from editors who were too "smart" to be hoodwinked by tall yarns concerning the Wrights' "flying" contraption. Some publications even fired their correspondent for reporting such fantastic things as an EIGHT (!) mile flight.

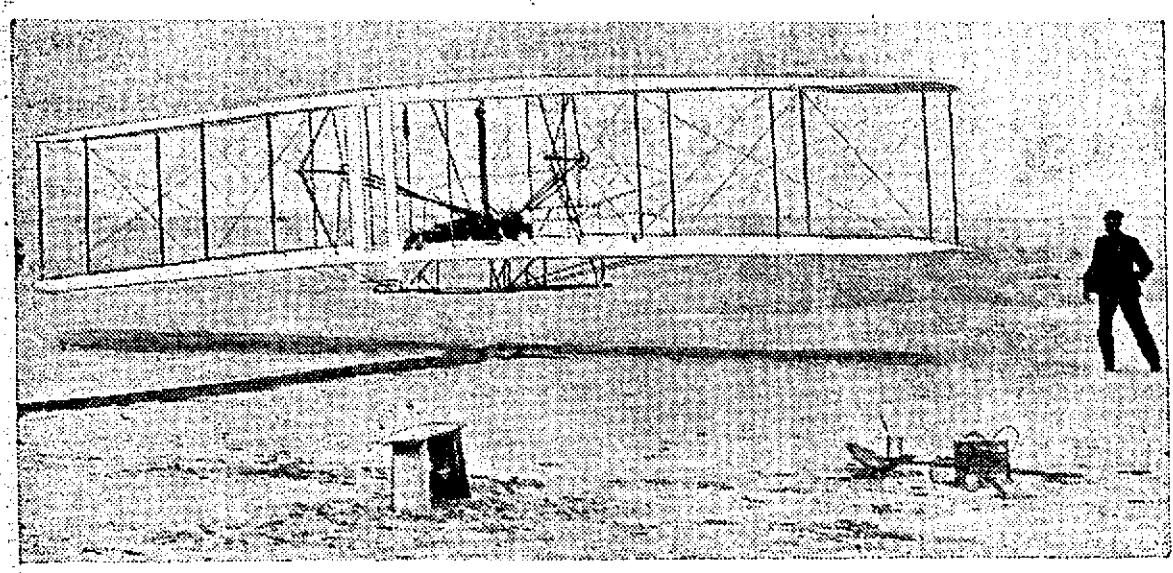
To Alpheus Drinkwater, whom Fate had chosen to be the operator of the only telegraph station connecting the Outer Banks of North Carolina with the sophisticated outside world, this was all very puzzling even irritating. For Alpheus was a simple man who had eyes to see. And he had seen the Wrights fly.

On December 17, 1903, he had watched open-mouthed as they made their first test. He had seen their plane slide unsteadily down a dune, sputter frantically into the air and alight a quarter of a mile away on higher ground than the takeoff point. He had seen the distance grow and grow in Drinkwater, the humble telegrapher, the miracle of man with wings was an accomplished fact.

Hence he shared the futile anger of the correspondents at the world's skepticism. And he believed the predictions of the newspapermen that the Wrights would eventually make a long flight—yes, even as far as Cape Henry, 75 miles away. Alpheus knew in his heart that someday Kill Devil Hill,



Alpheus Drinkwater . . . still has news on tap



The Wright brothers' airplane as it got off the ground at Kitty Hawk, N. C., in 1903

scene of the first flight, would become a place of pilgrimage.

Still at His Post

Three decades have passed. The new papermen have long ago left the sand dunes to follow the big stories else-

where. But Alpheus Drinkwater's home is still the goal of the occasional correspondent who comes to the dune country. Alpheus still handles frequent press dispatches which tell of coast guard matters, of wrecks and

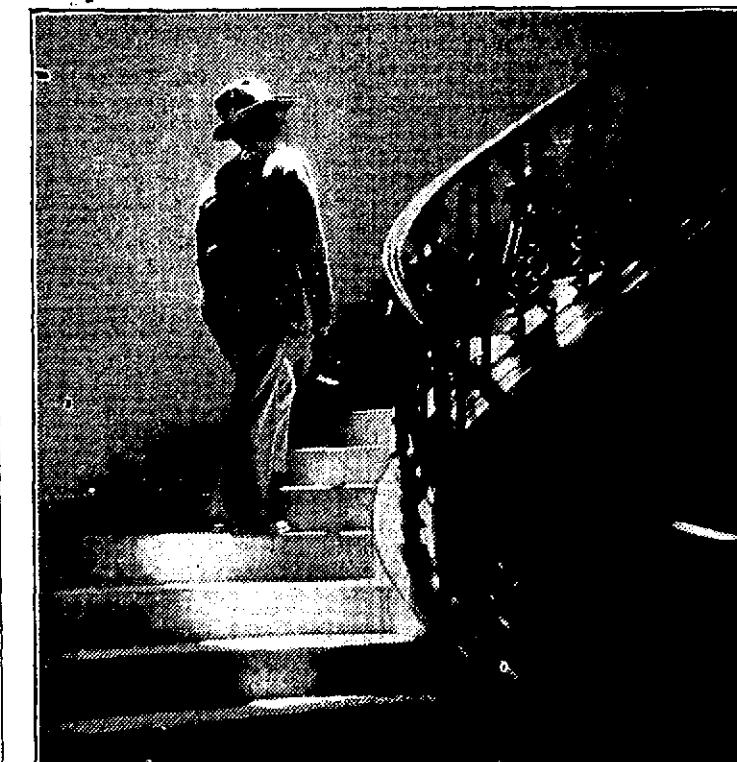
rescues of the famous Lost Colony drama at Fort Raleigh.

Now, after many years, Alpheus Drinkwater's faith in what he saw will be vindicated. For on December 17, 1938, ceremonies at Kill Devil Hill will celebrate the 35th anniversary of the Wright brothers' flight. The beautiful Wright Memorial beacon tower on Kill Devil Hill will be the scene of the celebration. Aviation notables from all over the nation will gather. There will be speeches. There will be duck dinner. Alpheus Drinkwater and some of the grizzled coast guards men who also saw the first flight will be there as guests and will rub shoulders with the notables.

Afterwards, Alpheus will go home and send over the wires the dispatches which will tell of the latest pilgrimage to this place, and of the 200 mighty war planes which flew which flew in formation around the ancient heap of sand.

Not a newspaper will reject his telegrams.

The SNAPSHOT GUILD A NEW CAMERA YEAR



Progressing—moving upward into the light—this striking picture could well symbolize the serious camera hobbyist today.

HOW much did you learn about picture-taking in the past year? How much will you learn in the New Year we are now entering?

This is a splendid time to take stock of yourself, examine your camera progress, make plans for the future. Could the figure on the staircase above symbolize you? Are you standing still—or are you moving upward into the light, reading more about picture-taking, studying your pictures, taking more, and constantly trying to improve?

Much of value is being written these days about taking better pictures. Simple, practical handbooks about photography are already available. Photo magazines contain much useful information. Manufacturers of cameras and film offer dozens of free pamphlets—not advertising, but practical instruction booklets. Every camera hobbyist should avail himself of these aids, for wider knowledge helps one make better pictures.

Is it your habit to study light and shadow—not just when taking a pic-

We, the Women

By RUTH MILLETT

Little Chance Women Can Get These "Rights"

Most women have a hard time getting riled up over the "equality with men" talk that is regularly stirred up by women leaders in business and the professions.

But every woman, no matter how feminine, would like a personal equality that can't exist alongside of men's one-sided notions.

We get pretty tired of hearing that it's gossip when Mrs. Jones gets the neighborhood low-down from Mrs. Smith. But it's only amused interest when Mr. Jones says, "What did that old gossip have to say?"

As long as men are set on saying "Another woman driver" every time they blow a horn at a car driven by a woman, we wish they would say "Another man driver" when (as just as frequently happens) they start swearing at the road antics of a brother.

We would also like to have our face creaming put in a class with men's shaving. They are both necessities of modern life—but men can shave openly while women have to sneak their face creaming, or listen to a man's "What do you put that stuff on your face for anyway?"

We really can't tune in a radio program without help or advice. And sometimes we would like a chance to prove it.

We wish that when a man says in a tone of superiority, "A woman can't bear to head another woman praised," he would remember how annoyed he got the night before when his date voiced her approval of the man at the next table.

And if we could only tell the man who says "women don't know anything about friendship and are out to cut each other's throats" that his best friend has started trying to sell us on himself.

But to keep the peace we let men get away with their condescending attitude. Isn't that just like a bunch of women?

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Adjustable Glasses

A county health officer in Maryland told a school boy that he should wear eye-glasses.

"I have glasses, but I don't wear them because I might break them," the boy said, "My Mom is wearing them."

The doctor then asked whether the glasses had been made for the boy or his mother.

"Neither," the boy answered. "They were made for Pop."

An English law makes it illegal to buy a loaf of bread after ten o'clock Sunday morning.

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RAISING A FAMILY

By Olive Roberts Barton

Santa Is 1500 Years Old and Still Going Strong

"If you aren't a good little boy Santa Claus won't bring you a single thing."

What will mamma do after Christmas is over, for a big stick to dangle over small heads? But children do not seem to mind. It depends pretty much on the way it is said. But why not put it the other way? "If you are nice and kind and do the very best you can, Santa will like it." Threats are weakening to the best of us.

If we wanted to shake the good old saint and give him the cold shoulder entirely, telling the children that he is just a silly myth and all the rest of it, that would be a pretty hard thing to do.

It is this way. Anything so entrenched in custom, especially if it is something that contributes to the happiness of children, seems to live on and on in spite of us.

Doing a little research on the jolly old saint, I find some interesting things. It seems that Santa Claus under various aliases, has been doing business at the same old stand for 1500 years.

England calls Santa Claus "Father Christmas;" France "Pere Noel;" Germany (unless Santa has lost his license), "Weinechtmans;" Denmark, "Julemanden." And so on. Canada has a "Santa Claus" as well as ourselves.

German immigrants brought us most

of our ideas about Christmas. They used the tree and perhaps the author of "Night Before Christmas" got his chimney episode from them. The early German settlers of Pennsylvania, with their wife flies, brought him down that way. It all ties up. One country has borrowed from another until now we have Santa Claus. I don't believe we could refuse him a passport.

An Appropriate Endowment
Graduate: "Professor, I have made some money and I want to do something for my old college. I don't remember what studies I excelled in."

Professor: "In my classes you slept most of the time."

Graduate: "Fine. I'll endow a dormitory."

Less Sentiment
He said he would lay the earth at my feet."

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Frogs Want to Know "How Good They Are" AN ALL-AMERICA POUNCE

By HARRY GRAYSON

NEA Service Sports Editor
Perhaps it is because Texas Christian's wide margins of victory will permit nothing else, but Leo R. Meyer is one of those rare coaches who admits that he has a great team.

In fact, Dutch Meyer confesses that he really doesn't know just how hot the Horned Frogs really are.

The Fort Worth strategist expects his army to be extended for the first time by Carnegie Tech in New Orleans, January 2.

He says the Purple and White was deliberately hunting trouble when it accepted the Sugar Bowl invitation, instead of performing in the Dallas Cotton Bowl, a mishap shot from home.

"We all wanted to find out if this T. C. U. team is as good as we think it is," explains Meyer. "That is why we wanted to play a team with a real reputation, one accepted by eastern critics as a top-flight outfit."

Meyer had no opportunity to scout Carnegie Tech. All he knows about the Skibos is what he has read and been told, but naturally he realizes that any club that was the first to beat Holy Cross and Pittsburgh in two years and which fought Notre Dame to a standstill for more than 45 minutes must have plenty.

Carnegie Tech Best Team Texas Christian Has Met

Meyer readily admits that the Scotsmen are the best aggregation Texas Christian has met, for the Horned Frogs' schedule wasn't so much . . . with only mediocre Temple, Marquette, and Tulsa out of the Southwest Conference.

But Texas Christian hasn't once been under pressure.

"We haven't yet had to buck the herd by coming from behind," says Meyer. "Maybe we won't look so good if Carnegie Tech gets the jump."

Meyer believes his line will stand up to anything, however. "Linemen don't come my better than I. B. Hale and Ki Aldrich, no matter what the league," he explains. "Hale weighs 240 pounds and is as strong as a steer. Nobody bulldogged or mouse-trapped him. He's fast, hard, and rough."

Hale acts as Dave O'Brien's hound dog. Anybody who tries to get little Dave has to reckon with Hale.

Hale, the All-Southwest tackle, and O'Brien came up from the same Dallas high school. They have been teammates for eight years.

"Aldrich is stronger offensively than was Darrell Lester," continues Meyer. "He covers a heap of territory on defense."

"Ki has a soothing way with him. Just seeing him bend over that ball sort of calms the rest of the boys. They know that he won't feed 'em a bad pass in the pincers."

"I've never seen a boy who likes to mix it in scrimmaging better than old Ki, and down our way the kids eat, sleep, and live football."

Play Solid Beefsteak Brand of Football

Meyer wants those who have not seen Texas Christian not to expect a rodeo with footballs filling the air. "We play a solid, beefsteak brand of football, using our running game to set up passes," he asserts. "Our air stuff bugs a lot of touchdowns, but it's secondary to a powerful rushing attack. Passes won't go unless you can make the other guys tighten their defense. We pass just enough to keep the defense guessing."

These kids of ours block, tackle, and charge in the old slambang style.

"They're football players, not a bunch of leather slinging artists. We go in for fundamentals, which may explain why our record over the years averages pretty high."

"O'Brien is some shakes at double-crossing opponents. He mixes up his stuff nicely . . . spreads 'em and draws 'em in. The defense can't get set."

Meyer makes no bones about his line



Porkers Extend Winning Streak

Defeat University of Oklahoma, 39-31 in Wild, Rough Game

NORMAN, Okla.—(P)—The University of Arkansas' undefeated Razorbacks ran their string of basketball victories to six in a row by defeating the University of Oklahoma Sooners, 39-31, in a wild, rough non-conference battle here Tuesday night.

The leader of the Porkers' slambanging attack was John Adams, 6-foot-3-inch sophomore forward, who used a two-hand overhead jump shot to ruin the first home appearance of the Sooners under their new coach, Bruce Drake. Adams hit nine field goals for 18 points.

The Sooners, outweighed, outreached and outclassed made a battle of it all the way and managed to stay abreast of the gangling Southwest Conference champions throughout the first half, although their offensive attack was far from the fast-break style they employed in previous years.

Lead Changes Frequently
The lead changed hands eight times through a slow first half, but the Razorbacks forged in front to lead 21 to 18, at the intermission. Twice during the second period the Sooners chopped the margin to a single point, but they couldn't catch the sure-fire Adams and his mates.

Coach Glen Rose's team formed a habit of swarming over any Sooner who managed to come down with a rebound and it was this strategy that kept the Oklahomaites befuddled. The Sooners scored more times from set plays than did the visitors. Both teams displayed the ruggedness of early season inexperience. It was Adams' deadly accuracy that proved the margin of victory.

The tennis meet again Wednesday night.

The PAYOFF

By HARRY GRAYSON
Sports Editor, NEA Service

Tartans Pick Camp
PITTSBURGH—Carnegie Tech has selected St. Louis College of Bay St. Louis, Miss., as a training site for its football game with Texas Christian in New Orleans, January 2.

Beeler a Manager
PITTSBURGH—Paul Beeler, time-keeper in the Tunney-Dempsey Battle of the Long Count in Chicago, is managing several Pittsburgh fighters.

Hartnett Wasn't Feeling

NEW YORK—Gabby Hartnett wasn't fooling when he popped off after the world series . . . said that every Chicago Cub was on the market except Bill Lee, Dizzy Dean, Clay Bryant, and Stanley Hack. If the Wrigley managers hear an attractive offer for Billy Herman, his captain and second baseman will be swapped, too.

"We ought to be able to purchase a dozen dandy biffs for the price of one coaching staff," is his contention.

Skating Champion

HANOVER, N.H.—For the first time in the history of American winter sports there will be a chance to name the country's best amateur all-around skier. He will be crowned at a national meet sponsored by the National Ski Association at Sun Valley, with versatility rather than specialized skill counting most.

The title will be based on all-around excellence in jumping, downhill racing, slalom and cross-country running.

In Hollywood

LOS ANGELES.—Although he was raised in this neighborhood and resides in nearby Glendale, Babe Herman's sole to Hollywood by Jersey City puts him closer to a screen test than he has ever been during the baseball season.

If some movie company only gives the old Brooklyn luminary a chance, it will find him a first-class comedian—except when it comes to signing a contract.

Soldiers Should Shoot

WEST POINT—After a lapse of two years, rifle shooting and wrestling again appear on Army's varsity sports program.

Odds Against

Despite its seeming frequency, sta-

tions report there is only one chance in 600 of a safe landing in a dead heat.

Beeler a Manager
PITTSBURGH—Charley Beeler did not crash a single first All-American team, but it is the consensus of the Pittsburgh players that the Nebraska team was the past two seasons the best football player who opposed them, and the finest center they ever saw. The Panthers consider most of the teams they tackled superior to Duke, which beat them on a blocked kick in the Durham snowstorm, 7-0, to obtain the Rose Bowl invitation. Not a single Blue Devil is included on the all-optional team of Marshall Goldberg, the Gold and Blue's All-America back.

Rate Brock Best

PITTSBURGH—Charley Brock did not crash a single first All-American team, but it is the consensus of the Pittsburgh players that the Nebraska team was the past two seasons the best football player who opposed them, and the finest center they ever saw. The Panthers consider most of the teams they tackled superior to Duke, which beat them on a blocked kick in the Durham snowstorm, 7-0, to obtain the Rose Bowl invitation. Not a single Blue Devil is included on the all-optional team of Marshall Goldberg, the Gold and Blue's All-America back.

Whose Baby Is It?

Involuntarily, we are in the middle of a mild feud that has sprung up around the phrase, Cafe Society. We wish we were not, for the argument neither interests nor concerns us.

"O'Brien spots receivers instructively," explains Meyer.

"Anticipation is the most important quality a football player can have, and Dave has it like nobody else I ever saw."

"He seems to read the minds of receivers. I never did take much stock in mental telepathy, but Dave appears to know just where Looney or Earl Clark will turn up. He throws 'em strikes even when he can't see them."

"We use a lot of spot passes because of O'Brien's short stature. He stands only five feet seven inches."

A small chap can pass if his hands are big. Harry Newman of Michigan was in no sense tall. O'Brien's hands are larger than those of Sid Luckman of Columbia. Their mitts were measured when Luckman dropped in to say hello during the recent New York visit of the Horned Frog party.

Texas appears to raise boys with abnormally big hands.

Maybe this partially explains why many crack golfers, baseball players, and forward passers are developed on the southwest plains.

The dry air of Texas encourages and helps passers.

You see kids throwing the leather around on any Texas sandlot.

A thrown ball flies true in the dry, clear atmosphere of Texas than in moisture-laden northern air.

Meyer stresses the point that O'Brien, in addition to being a superlative passer, can carry the mail with any body he has.

He just sneaks around end or squeezes inside tackle behind his roommate and eighth-year teammate, the giant tackle and captain, Insull E. Hale.

It doesn't take much of a hole to let the 150-pound Davey O'Brien through, and he is a little fellow who goes a long way.

An Elephant for Breakfast

OWENSBOURG, Ky.—(P)—Mrs. Jay Blythe of Cloverport was madder than amazed when she awakened to find a 4,000-pound elephant enjoying a vegetable breakfast in her garden. She called officers who herded the elephant back to a circus in a nearby town.

EVERYBODY'S ALL-AMERICA

By Art Krenz

DAVEY O'BRIEN
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THE NEW ORLEANS
SUGAR BOWL, JAN. 2.



F.D. Ends Drafting of Bills by Aides

Corcoran and Cohen Must Leave Job to Committees of Congress

WASHINGTON—(P)—President Roosevelt was reported in informed quarters Wednesday to have forbidden administration departments to draft legislation for submission to congress.

Congressional leaders who asked that their names be withheld said the chief executive had advised them he had adopted a "definite policy" of leaving the job of bill-drafting to Senate and house committees.

The president's forthcoming message, they said, merely will make "affirmative suggestions" for legislation.

The president's decision presumably would prevent future bill-drafting by such government officials as Thomas Corcoran and Benjamin Cohen, who have been credited with much New Deal legislation.

TVA Probe Ends

WASHINGTON—(P)—Public hearings in the congressional investigation of TVA ended Wednesday, more than nine months after Congress authorized a sweeping inquiry into this vast project.

Senator Donahue, Ohio Democrat, said the committee would report January 5.

White, Danowski Take Pro Honors

Whizzer White is the Best Ground Gainer in Pro Grid Ranks

NEW YORK—(P)—Byron (Whizzer) White of the Pittsburgh Pirates, a pro football rookie, and Ed Danowski of the New York Giants, a veteran of the game, were crowned 1938 champions of the National Professional League in ground-gaining and forward passing, respectively.

White, who received \$15,000 for what probably will be his only season in the cash-and-carry trade, gained 567 yards in 152 attempts. The former University of Colorado all-American, beat out Tuffy Leemans of the Giants, leader in 1936, who made 463 yards in 121 tries.

Danowski, in setting a new league record with 20 completions in 129 passes for a 54.2 percentage, displaced Sam Baugh of the Washington Redskins and boosted his own lifetime mark from 48.3 per cent to 49.8 on 251 completions in 512 attempts.

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Clubs Too Rough So They're Using Gas

CAIRO—Tear gas bombs will be used in future for subduing mobs and demonstrators, because of complaints that truncheons and clubs cause too many injuries.

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The Library

The following books may be found on the shelves of the city library.

"An Odd Little Lass," by Jessie Wright,
"Alice Adams," by Booth Tarkington.

"Anitra's Dance," Fanny Hurst,
"As the Earth Turns," by Gladys Carroll.

"All the Kings Horses," by Margaret Widdemer.
"All the Way by Water," by E. S. Payne.

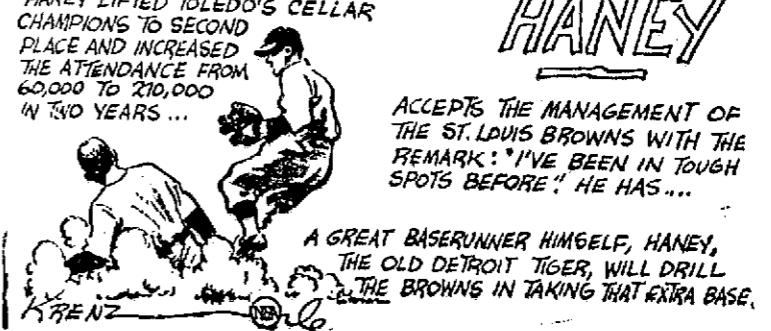
Chickens sometimes suffer from a form of tuberculosis for which there is no known cure.

Ingenious displays are yielding a fortune.

Give Away
There is some significance, it seems to us, in the fact that the next meeting of the American Society of Hypnotists is being held in a midtown night club and that the leading paper to be read by one named Ali Ben Ali is called "Hypnotizing the Public."

Canada has more miles of railroad in proportion to its population than the United States.

BRIGHTENS UP BROWNS



STAMPS of the new U. S. regular series are to be made available in coils and books, the Post Office Department has announced.

The new coils in the sideways perforated variety only will be first placed on sale in Washington, D. C., Jan. 20, in the following denominations: 1 cent, 1½ cent, 2 cent, 3 cent, 4 cent, 4½ cent, 5 cent, 6 cent, and 10 cent.

Collectors desiring first-day cancellations of the new coil stamps may send not more than 10 addressed covers for each of the above denominations to the Postmaster, Washington, D. C., with a cash or postal money order remittance covering the exact amount of postage required.

Allowance must be made also for the first-class postage rate other than for local delivery. Orders must reach the Washington postmaster by Jan. 15, 1939.

The new coils in the endwise perforated variety, as well as books containing the new regular issue in the same combination as available at present, will be first placed on sale in Washington, Jan. 27, in the following denominations:

Endwise coils: 1

Sketching a Saga of Swindle, the Fantastic Career of Philip Musica



A career of swindling that almost put Ponzi began when a boy was born to the Italian immigrants Antonia and Asunta Musica in 1884. He was named Philip. The boy grew up in New York's East Side slums. At 25 he was convicted of bribing customs officials. The following year he was pardoned from Elmira, N. Y., reformatory by President Taft.

By PAUL FRIGGENS
NEA Service Staff Correspondent
Big-time American swindlers have probably defrauded the citizenry of enough money to pay off the national debt.

The fantastic, suicide-terminated career of Philip Musica—who swindled 25 years ago, and then took the name of F. Donald Coster to continue his larcenous maneuvering among the Best People—again turns the spotlight on these smooth fakes.

No ordinary crooks, these swindlers.

One of them took the greatest of the Morgans for a million.

Another ran a 5-cent postage stamp into \$15,000,000 robbing 40,000 persons.

And a former Iowa farmhand perpetrated probably the most fantastic hoax of all, selling "shares" in the fabulous 350-year-old Drake estate to thousands of the gullible from coast to coast.

Eventually, the law caught up with all of them. But the public seems never to have caught up with its money.

Rather Ambitious

Take the case of Charles Ponzi. He is the only man on record who set out apparently to corner all the money in the world. Said Mr. Ponzi:

"People are foolish to invest their money at 4 per cent a year. I can make 50 per cent in 45 days."

That was back in 1920.

Mr. Ponzi's formula was simple.

Everybody knew that foreign money

had greatly depreciated. So when Mr. Ponzi told them he had foreign agents in Europe who were buying postage coupons for less than 2 cents in American money which could be redeemed over here at 5 cents, the scramble began.

The law said it couldn't be done. But Mr. Ponzi, by this time raking in money from thousands, said it WAS being done and offered to pay back anyone who regretted his investment. He paid a 50 per cent dividend every 45 days.

Meanwhile he did pretty well himself. In a short time the former bank clerk was living in a \$500,000 home, riding in imported automobiles, wearing a different suit every day. The Italian immigrant who had come to the country with \$2.50 in his pocket was making good—too good.

To accommodate his rapidly expanding business he took over a savings association. Then rumor spread that all was not well with Mr. Ponzi.

Investors began to line up for their money. On three successive days the capitalist paid out. Two days later he was declared bankrupt; he was arrested, subsequently indicted and convicted.

When the smoke cleared it was found he had built a \$15,000,000 bubble. He paid back perhaps half of this.

Hair-Brained "Heirs"

Thousands of gullible folks investing in the mythical Drake estate during the American boom days were not so fortunate.

The Drake estate was the idea of a



Within a year Philip Musica was riding high, with plenty of money to dine high-coiffured darlings along Broadway. It was those high-gowned hair-dos that brought Philip his money. He and his father formed a human hair company and sold their product as high as \$800 a pound. But profits weren't enough; there was tampering with bills of lading and drafts on the part of young Musica.

Former Iowa farmhand and deputy sheriff, "Baron" Oscar Hartzell.

Hartzell sold the story of an estate left by the swashbuckling English sea rover worth \$22,500,000,000. But to settle the estate Hartzell would need considerable capital. The return would be \$1000 for every \$1 invested.

Federal officials estimated Hartzell mulcted 50,000 Americans at least \$1,250,000. He went to Leavenworth.

But not all of the swindlers have covered such wide fields.

One of the most famous of New York swindlers was Dave Lamar, the Wolf of Wall Street.

At his height he took the greatest of the Morgans for at least a million, took it from U. S. Steel in which Morgan was heavily interested. Lamar worried John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and caused untold anxiety along New York's financial canyon.

The government caught up with him first in 1913 when he was convicted of impersonating over the telephone A. Mitchell Palmer, congressman, in a financial scheme.

In 1910 he had nearly tricked a U. S. senator into delivering an address from the floor which would have sent steel stocks into a sharp slump.

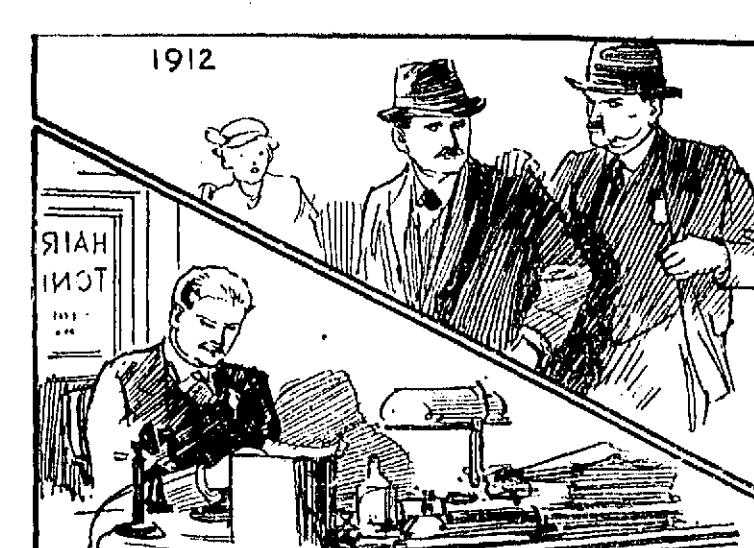
In 1917 he was accused of being an agent of the German government. As late as 1932 he was arrested on a charge of grand larceny.

During Sunday evening services a woman entered while a hymn was being sung and whispered, "They're stealing Jim Christmore's chickens."

Before the hymn ended all the male members of the congregation were on their way to the Christmore hen coop where they interrupted the task of two men who were emptying the roosts.

The men fled by dropping their bags of chickens, but abandoning an old car.

Despite bankruptcy proceedings



In 1912 Philip Musica was revealed as a big-time swindler. He fled with his family. Arrested on board a vessel bound for Honduras, Musica tried suicide unsuccessfully. He got off with a suspended sentence in 1916, and sank into obscurity. In 1922, one F. Donald Coster, a hair tonic manufacturer, appeared. He bought McKesson and Robbins, Inc., made money hand over fist.

Coster's wealth pyramided, he was hailed as an executive genius. But

last month Wall Street heard he was shaky. This month the company treasurer found an \$18,000 shortage in a department. Coster ruled independently. Coster's fingerprints revealed him as Philip Musica. Musica-Coster drank through the night of December 15, next day shot himself to death as federal officers came for him.

Musicas Face the Music



On their way to detention prison in New York, George Vernard and Robert Dietrich (George and Robert Musica), central figures in the 20-million-dollar McKesson and Robbins, Inc., swindle.

She Knew Firemen Could Do the Job

BATON ROUGE, La.—(AP)—A woman telephoned for a fireman.

"Where's the fire?" she was asked.

"It's no fire," came the reply, "but I need a fireman."

Baton Rouge's fire chief obliged. His man found a dead woman.

"Would you mind killing this chicken?" she said sweetly. "I know you firemen always carry hatchets."

So They Say

I am in love with Reno.—Mrs. J. Richard (Dixie) Davis as she sought a divorce from her husband in Nevada.

I have long been attracted to the motion picture industry and the opportunity for public service it affords.—James Roosevelt, accepting a position in the movies at a reported salary of \$50,000 a year.

Not in many years has there come to our support a recognizable contribution from a member of Congress.—The Rev. Howard Stone Anderson, Washington.

It was prescription stuff and that's legal.—A prisoner in Sweetwater, Tex., denying he was intoxicated.

If I run, I won't walk.—Harold Ikes discussing the possibilities of his candidacy for mayor of Chicago.

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Pure silk robes in jacquard patterns with shawl collar and full silk lined.

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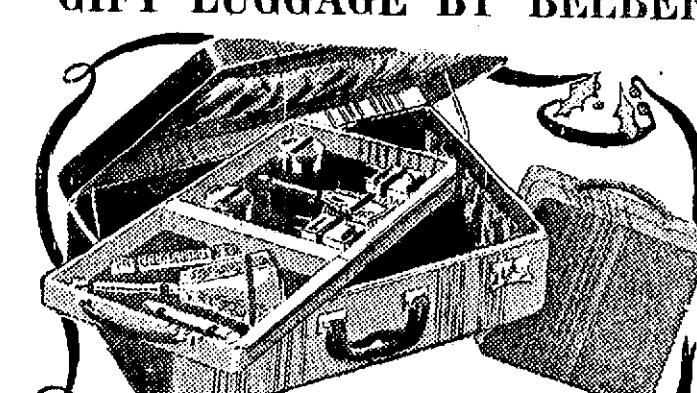
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